

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 65th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

Call to Order: Chair Seth Berglee, on February 13, 2017 at 3:00 PM, in Room 137
Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Seth Berglee, Chair (R)
Rep. Jeff Essmann, Vice Chair (R)
Rep. Moffie Funk, Vice Chair (D)
Rep. Fred Anderson (R)
Rep. Jacob Bachmeier (D)
Rep. Becky Beard (R)
Rep. Edward Greef (R)
Rep. Casey Schreiner (D)
Rep. Lola Sheldon-Galloway (R)
Rep. Scott Staffanson (R)
Rep. Sue Vinton (R)
Rep. Peggy Webb (R)
Rep. Susan Webber (D)

Members Excused:

Rep. Bryce Bennett (D)
Rep. Amanda Curtis (D)
Rep. Greg Hertz (R)
Rep. Jean Price (D)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Jessica Riffel, Committee Secretary
Laura Sankey Keip, Legislative Branch

Audio Committees: These minutes are in outline form only. They provide a list of participants and a record of official action taken by the committee. The link to the audio recording of the meeting is available on the Legislative Branch website.

Committee Business Summary:

Hearing & Date Posted: HB 381, 2/8/2017; HB 382, 2/8/2017
Executive Action: HB 32, HB 270

HEARING ON HB 381

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:01:26 Rep. Dennis Lenz (R), HD 53, opened the hearing on HB 381, Require school districts to address suicide prevention and response.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:03:49 Siri Smillie, Governor's Office

00:05:10 Colleen Rahn, National Alliance on Mental Illness Montana (NAMI Montana)

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony:

00:06:11 Ken Bailey, Office of Public Instruction (OPI)

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:06:37 Rep. Vinton

00:07:03 Rep. Lenz

Closing by Sponsor:

00:08:07 Rep. Lenz

HEARING ON HB 382

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:09:00 Rep. Dennis Lenz (R), HD 53, opened the hearing on HB 382, Generally revise mental health education for teachers.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:11:27 Colleen Rahn, National Alliance on Mental Illness Montana (NAMI Montana)

[EXHIBIT\(edh31a01\)](#)

00:13:42 Cheryl Scheafer, Montana Physical Therapy Assistant (MT PTA)

[EXHIBIT\(edh31a02\)](#)

00:17:41 Jennifer Scheafer, Self

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:18:56 Rep. Greef

00:19:24 Rep. Lenz

00:21:25 Rep. P. Webb

00:21:41 Rep. Lenz

Closing by Sponsor:

00:22:16 Rep. Lenz

EXHIBIT(edh31a03)

00:24:19 Recessed
00:38:56 Reconvened

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 32

00:39:15 **Motion:** Rep. Essmann moved to **RECONSIDER PREVIOUS ACTION** on **HB 32**.

Discussion:

00:39:43 Rep. Schreiner

00:40:00 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Bennett, Rep. Curtis, Rep. G. Hertz and Rep. Price voted by proxy.

00:40:37 **Motion:** Rep. Essmann moved that **HB 32 BE AMENDED**.

Discussion:

00:40:51 Laura Sankey Keip, Legislative Services Division (LSD)

00:41:45 **Vote:** Motion carried 15-2 by voice vote with Rep. Bachmeier and Rep. Curtis voting no. Rep. Bennett, Rep. Curtis, Rep. G. Hertz and Rep. Price voted by proxy.

Motion: Rep. Essmann moved that **HB 32 DO PASS AS AMENDED**.

Discussion:

00:42:26 Rep. Schreiner
00:43:27 Rep. Bachmeier
00:43:57 Chair Berglee

00:44:49 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Bennett, Rep. Curtis, Rep. G. Hertz and Rep. Price voted by proxy.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 270

00:45:44 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Anderson moved that **HB 270 BE REMOVED FROM TABLE**. Motion carried unanimously by those present and voting

00:46:11 Rep. Vinton

00:46:36 **Motion:** Rep. Essmann moved that **HB 270 DO PASS AS AMENDED**.

Discussion:

00:46:46 Rep. Vinton
00:47:42 Rep. Beard
00:47:53 Rep. Anderson
00:48:27 Rep. Essmann
00:49:59 Rep. Sheldon-Galloway

00:51:30 Rep. Staffanson

00:52:06 Rep. Schreiner

00:54:17 Chair Berglee

00:55:48 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Bennett, Rep. Curtis, Rep. G. Hertz and Rep. Price voted by proxy.

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 00:56:32

Jessica Riffel, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT([edh31aad.pdf](#))